Deaths due to bacillary dysentery of tribals of Bastar

1211. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that for the last three years, hundreds of tribals of Bastar district, have been dying of a disease called bacillary dysentery and neither the central nor the State Government have been able to take effective steps for stopping these deaths,

(b) if so, what are the details of mortality because of this disease during the last three years (year-wise); and

(c) what steps have been taken to ensure that adequate primary health care is provided to these innocent and poor tribals so that they do not die in such large numbers every year ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) : (a) The State Government of Madhya Pradesh have not reported any death due to vacillary dysentery of tribals of Bastar District

(b) According to the reports received from the State Government, the reported deaths due to bacillary dysentery of tribals 1984 to 1987 are as follows :—

Year	Cases	Deaths
1984 . . .	849712	272
1985 . . .	766019	146
1986 . . .	762174	236
1987 . . .	568657	169
(upto August)		

(c) The Central and State Governments are taking adequate steps for the control of these diseases The Government of India also launched ORT Programme for the management of acute diarrhoeal diseases in the country which is being expanded in a phased manner during 7th Plan to reduce the morbidity and mortality due to acute diarrhoeal diseases Specific treatments are available in the Primary Health Centres, Dispensaries and Hospitals depending on the causative Organisms. There is no shortage of drugs reported from any-where Emphasis has been laid for the supply of pure drinking water in the problem villages by the end of the 7th Plan period Construction of sanitary privies are being encouraged in the rural areas by community participation Health education efforts are being augmented. All outbreaks are being investigated by the State Health Authorities and unsafe drinking water supplies are being chlorinated.

Expansion of scheme of Nehru Yuvak Kendras

1212 SHRI AJIT P K JOGI : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are planning to expand the scheme of Nehru Yuvak Kendras in the country in near future;

(b) if so, the number of such new Kendras likely to be set up in Madhya Pradesh during the current and next financial years; and

(c) by when all the districts of Madhya Pradesh are likely to have 'Nehru Yuvak Kendras' ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 10 new Kendras during 1987-88 and 18 new Kendras during 1988-89 are proposed to be opened in Madhya Pradesh.

(c) All districts of Madhya Pradesh are likely to have Nehru Yuva Kendras by the end of the current plan period.

Inconvenience suffered by travelling passengers from Ratnagiri to Pune

1213. SHRI A G. KULKARNI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the widespread dis-satisfaction of the travelling passengers from Ratnagiri to Pune regarding inconvenient railway trains and late running of Mahalaxmi and Maharashtra Express trains;